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## Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch. Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20054

Re: Children's Television Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters, MM Docket No. 00-167

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules we hereby submit this notice regarding an *ex parte* communication in the above-referenced proceeding.

On August, 9, Gloria Tristani of the Benton Foundation had a telephone conference with Heather Dixon, legal advisor to Chairman Kevin Martin to discuss the status of the proceeding on Children's Television Obligations of Digital Television Broadcasters. Ms. Tristani asked that the Joint Proposal submitted by children advocates and industry representatives be put on the agenda and adopted at the next Commission Open Meeting now scheduled for September 14, 2006. This *ex parte* notice is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket in accordance with Commission rules.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing at 202 638-5770.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Gloria Tristani President Benton Foundation